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## 6.7.2 Delineation between adjacent and opposite States

- 1. Where the coasts of two or more States are adjacent or opposite to each other, the delimitation of the respective economic zones shall be determined by agreement among them in accordance with equitable principles, taking into account all the relevant factors including, inter alia, the geomorphological and geological structure of the sea-bed area involved, and special circumstances such as the general configuration of the respective coasts, and the existence of islands, islets or rocks within the area.
- 2. The States shall make use of any of the methods envisaged in Article 33 of the Charter of the United Nations, as well as those established under international agreements to which they are parties, or other peaceful means open to them, in case any of the parties refuses to enter into or continue negotiations or in order to resolve differences which may arise during such negotiations.
- 3. The States may decide to apply any one or a combination of methods and principles appropriate for arriving at an equitable delimitation based on agreement.